

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: : PATENT APPLICATION

Michael O. Okoroafor et al. : Group Art Unit 1711

Serial No. 09/695,332 : Examiner: Rabon A. Sergent

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For: METHOD OF PREPARING AN

OPTICAL POLYMERIZATE

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

MAIL STOP RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed January 25, 2005, and the prior Office Action mailed June 17, 2004, in connection with the above-captioned application. The application is presently on appeal. However, in order to withdraw the application from appeal and reopen prosecution, filed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) pursuant to 37 CFR §1.114 including this response as the requisite submission along with authorization to debit Deposit Account No. 16-2025 for the RCE fee set forth under 37 CFR §1.17(e). The following response is offered in an effort to advance the case to allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims in light of the following remarks is courteously requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 35 of this paper.